

United States Mint Opens Sales for Bess Truman First Spouse Gold Coins on April 16

April 9, 2015

WASHINGTON — The United States Mint will accept orders for the 2015 First Spouse Series One-Half Ounce Gold Coins – Bess Truman beginning April 16 at noon Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

The coin's obverse (heads side) features a striking portrait of Mrs. Truman with the inscriptions "BESS TRUMAN," "In God We Trust," "Liberty," "2015," "33rd," and "1945 – 1953." The reverse features a locomotive wheel moving along railroad tracks, representing Mrs. Truman's support for her husband on his 1948 whistle stop campaign trip for re-election as president. Inscriptions are "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA," "WHISTLE STOP CAMPAIGN," "E Pluribus Unum," "\$10," "1/2 OZ.," and ".9999 FINE GOLD."

The Bess Truman First Spouse Gold Coins are being struck at the United States Mint's West Point facility in proof (*product code JQ1*) and uncirculated (*product code JQ2*) qualities. Mintage will be limited to no more than 10,000 units across all product options, with customer demand determining the ratio of proof coins to uncirculated coins produced.

Coin prices will be based on the United States Mint pricing structure for numismatic products containing gold, available at <http://catalog.usmint.gov/coins/gold-coins>.

Orders will be accepted at the bureau's online catalog at <http://catalog.usmint.gov/coin-programs/first-spouse-coins/> and at 1-800-USA-MINT (872-6468). Hearing- and speech-impaired customers with TTY equipment may order by calling 1-888-321-MINT (6468). Please visit the United States Mint website for more information on shipping options: <http://www.catalog.usmint.gov/customer-service/shipping.html>.

About the United States Mint

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Note: To ensure that all members of the public have fair and equal access to United States Mint products, orders placed prior to the official on-sale dates and time of April 16, 2015, at noon EDT, shall not be deemed accepted by the United States Mint and will not be honored.

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